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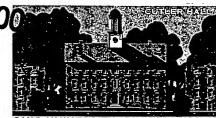
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The Office held the above-identified application abandoned for failure to timely file a reply to the Office Action mailed on April 29, 2003. Applicant submits that a reply was transmitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.8(a) and requests the Office to consider the reply as timely filed as all requirements of 37 CFR 1.8(b) have been met previously or herein.

1. Applicant informed the Office of the previous transmission of the correspondence promptly after becoming aware that the Office had no evidence of receipt of the correspondence. On November 18, 2003, Examiner Boehler issued a notice of abandonment indicating that no reply to the April 29, 2003 Office Action was received. On November 24, 2003, Attorney Pejic discussed the notice of abandonment with Examiner Boehler during a telephone conference. Attorney Pejic indicated that a response to the Office Action was faxed to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 29, 2003 and that an Auto-Reply Facsimile

Transmission confirmed the United States Patent and Trademark Office's receipt of the response. Examiner Boehler indicated that she would conduct a search for the missing response. On December 2, 2003, Examiner Boehler indicated to Attorney Pejic during a telephone conference that she was unable to locate the October 29, 2003 response.

- 2. On January 15, 2004, Applicant sent a request under 37 CFR 1.8(b) to consider reply to the office action to be timely filed. The request included a copy of the previous transmitted correspondence of October 29, 2003. In addition, the Applicant attested that a proper reply to the April 29, 2003 Office Action was transmitted to the Office on October 29, 2003. As evidence of this transmittal, Applicant included a copy of the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission from the United States Patent and Trademark Office indicating that 13 pages were received on October 29, 2003. A receipt postcard, stamped by the USPTO and dated January 20, 2004, was received by Applicant on January 26, 2004.
- 3. On August 6, 2004, Applicant became aware that the January 15, 2004 request under 37 CFR 1.8(b) to consider reply to the office action to be timely filed, although received by the USPTO, does not appear in the application file. An online search using the United States Patent and Trademark Office's Patent Application Information Retrieval database indicated that the application status remained "Abandoned -- Failure to Respond to an Office Action."
- 4. On August 10, 2004, Agent Pribisich discussed the status of the application with Examiner Boehler during a telephone conference. It was confirmed that the status of the application was "Abandoned -- Failure to Respond to an Office Action."
- 5. Applicant again attests that a proper reply to the April 29, 2003 Office Action was transmitted to the Office on October 29, 2003. As evidence of this transmittal, Applicant has included a copy of the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission from the United States Patent and Trademark Office indicating that 13 pages were received on October 29, 2003.
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7. Applicant has included with this request a copy of the October 29, 2003 transmitted correspondence, as well as the January 15, 2004 mailed correspondence.

Applicant does not believe any fee is associated with a request under 37 CFR 1.8(b). If this is not the case, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any related fee to Deposit Account No. 03-0172. If there are any questions regarding this Petition, please telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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### PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

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Sir:

- 1. This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the Office Action mailed on April 29, 2003 for a period of three months.
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**AMENDMENT** 

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Dear Sir:

A three-month extension of time accompanies this response. In response to the Office Action of April 29, 2003, kindly amend the application as follows:

Listing of Claims including original and new claims begin on page 2. Remarks begin on page 6.

#### LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1. (canceled) A wheelchair suspension comprising:
  - a frame member;
  - a pivoting assembly having:
  - a pivot arm pivotally coupled to the frame and having a first engagement surface;
  - a drive assembly pivotally coupled to the frame and having a second engagement surface

configured to engage the first engagement surface; and

wherein the second engagement surface is configured to disengage from the first engagement surface upon pivotal movement of the drive assembly in a first direction.

- 2. (currently amended) The suspension of claim [1]  $\underline{8}$  wherein the first engagement surface comprises a shoulder.
- 3. (currently amended) The suspension of claim [1] 8 wherein the second engagement surface comprises a cylindrical shape.
- 4. (currently amended) The suspension of claim [1]  $\underline{8}$  wherein the first engagement surface comprises an undulating surface.
- 5. (currently amended) The suspension of claim 3 wherein the cylindrical shape is received by the undulating surface.
- 6. (currently amended) The suspension of claim [1] 8 wherein the pivot arm and the drive assembly are pivotally coupled to the frame at a common location on the frame.
- 7. (currently amended) The suspension of claim [1] <u>8</u> further comprising a resilient member for regulating the second engagement surface disengage from the first engagement <u>surface</u>.
- 8. (currently amended) [The suspension of claim 1] A wheelchair suspension comprising: a frame;

### a pivoting assembly having:

a pivot arm pivotally coupled to the frame and having a first engagement surface;

a drive assembly pivotally coupled to the frame and having a second engagement

surface configured to engage the first engagement surface; and

wherein the second engagement surface is configured to disengage from the first engagement surface upon pivotal movement of the drive assembly in a first direction, wherein the pivot arm further comprises [a] first and second ends and wherein the first end has a castor assembly coupled thereto and wherein the second end comprises the first engagement surface.

- 9. (currently amended) The suspension of claim 6 wherein the pivot arm further comprises a first and second ends and wherein the first end has a castor assembly coupled thereto and wherein the second end comprises the first engagement surface, and wherein the common pivot location is between the first and second ends.
- 10. (canceled) A wheelchair suspension comprising: a frame;
- at least one pivot arm pivotally coupled to the frame and having a first engagement surface;
- at least one drive assembly pivotally coupled to the frame and having a second engagement surface;

wherein the pivot arm and drive assembly are pivotally coupled to the frame at a common location on the frame; and

wherein the first and second engagement surfaces are configured to engage each other upon pivotal motion of the drive assembly in a first direction and to disengage from each other upon pivotal motion of the drive assembly in a second direction.

- 11. (currently amended) The suspension of claim [10] 15 wherein the first engagement surface comprises a shoulder.
- 12. (currently amended) The suspension of claim [10] 15 wherein the second engagement surface comprises a cylindrical shape.

- 13. (currently amended) The suspension of claim [10] <u>15</u> wherein the first engagement surface comprises an undulating surface.
- 14. (currently amended) The suspension of claim [10] 15 further comprising a resilient member disposed between the pivot arm and the drive assembly to limit the relative pivotal movement therebetween.
- 15. (currently amended) [The suspension of claim 10] A wheelchair suspension comprising: a frame;
- at least one pivot arm pivotally coupled to the frame and having a first engagement surface;
- at least one drive assembly pivotally coupled to the frame and having a second engagement surface;

wherein the pivot arm and drive assembly are pivotally coupled to the frame at a common location on the frame; and

wherein the first and second engagement surfaces are configured to engage each other upon pivotal motion of the drive assembly in a first direction and to disengage from each other upon pivotal motion of the drive assembly in a second direction, and wherein the pivot arm comprises a front portion having [a] at least one caster coupled thereto and a rear portion having the first engagement surface.

- 16. (original) The suspension of claim 15 wherein the pivotal coupling of the pivot arm is between the front and rear portions of the pivot arm.
- 17. (currently amended) The suspension of claim [10] 15 wherein pivotal motion of the drive assembly in a first direction causes pivotal motion of the pivot arm and pivotal motion of the drive assembly in a second direction does not cause pivotal motion of the pivot arm.
- 18. (currently amended) A wheelchair suspension comprising:
  a frame having first and second sides;

first and second pivoting assemblies coupled to the first and second sides of the frame, each pivoting assembly comprising:

a pivot arm pivotally coupled to the frame and having a first engagement surface;

a drive assembly pivotally coupled to the frame and having a second engagement surface configured to engage the first engagement surface; and

wherein the second engagement surface is configured to disengage from the first engagement surface upon pivotal movement of the drive assembly in a first direction, and wherein the pivot arm comprises a front portion having [a] at least one caster coupled thereto and a rear portion having the first engagement surface.

- 19. (original) The suspension of claim 18 wherein the first engagement surface comprises at least a partially undulating surface.
- 20. (original) The suspension of claim 19 wherein the second engagement surface comprises a shape configured to be at least partially seated within the at least partially undulating surface.

### Remarks

Reconsideration of the present patent application is requested. In this regard, all of the claims, except for claims 8, 9, 15 and 16, stand rejected based on prior art. Claims 8, 9, 15 and 16 stand objected to as being dependent upon rejected base claims, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. Claims 8 and 15 have been rewritten so as to be in independent form and claim 18 has been amended to incorporate the cited allowable subject matter. Also, the claims have been amended where necessary to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Additionally, Applicant filed on January 29, 2002 an Information Disclosure Statement and form PTO-1449 (4 pages) disclosing 52 references. A copy of the return receipt postcard is attached for reference along with the PTO 1449 pages disclosing the cited references. Applicant's respectfully request confirmation that such Information Disclosure Statement and references have indeed been considered by the Examiner.

#### CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, the Applicant believes that all of the claims in this case are now in a condition for allowance and an indication to that effect is earnestly solicited. Furthermore, if the Examiner believes that additional discussions or information might advance the prosecution of this case, the Examiner should feel free to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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